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TT8CW

2 WAY	OSO WITH RADIO	DATE	GMT	MHz	RST	QSL
CW						PSE
SSB						TNX

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Verified By F6GXB _____

TT8CW IN AFRICA

Monday morning, Sept 17th 1984, this scene I know very well. I take Al (F6AJN-J28CB-FB8ZQ) to the airport for one of his new trips, this time the destination is CHAD.

His luggage contained more than his clothes, it was full of radio gear. We also agreed on a few frequencies for skeds after his arrival.

My big surprise was when I found out one week later that I also had to go to CHAD..

We had nice weather on the 1st of Oct when I left Paris for Chad, but 5 hours later, the 104 degree weather in N Djamena was a hot surprise. I was lucky to find Al waiting for me with a cool gala (local beer) in his hand.

October 3rd was the start of TT8CW. In spite of the mean propagation, we ascertain that all bands are very clear and without any noise.

During October, we had many good openings to the states and to Asia. As expected, a pileup always started when we got on any band or mode and gave a call. We very quickly made 4000 contacts without any trouble.

Things began to change in November, we

had very bad conditions. About the only openings we had was to the East Europe area. Making only 2500 contacts in November is an indication of how bad it was.

When December arrived the band began to pick up a bit, well enough to work DX on 80 and 40 meters. Even though the conditions were much better, it was a sad time for us. Sad only from our radio operations view point. It was nearing Christmas and it would be the time for us to return home to see our families knowing we would not be back.

Between October 3rd and December 13th, we made more than 8000 contacts, which covered all bands, including the 30 meter section. About 70% of the contacts were with the USA and Japan. (More discipline during the pileups)

The equipment was:

- Kenwood TS930S (100 watts only)
- Vertical Antenna (10-15 & 20)
- Hertz Windom Antenna (30 & 40)
- Dipole Antenna (80)

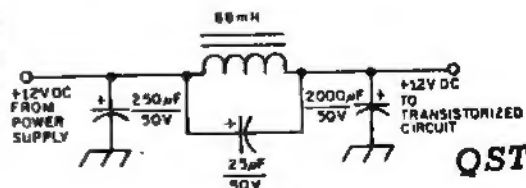
See you from Clipperton Island....

Best 73s

Jacky F6GXB/TT8CW

REDUCING RIPPLE IN MINIATURE POWER SUPPLIES

Most small supplies substitute a resistor for the choke. This is ok for low-low current but falls short when the current is increased. The circuit below is from QST and is tuned for 120 cycles if you remove about 10 turns from each side of the 88mh choke. Current max is 200 ma.



QSL AND DX INFORMATION

BY1QH "Wan" 14227, 2300Z, Mon and Wed.
All Market Reef (OJØ) QSLs for May 24th-
29th-85 to OH2KI---TA1D, Box 1167, Istanbul---TA1E "Aziz" Box 794, Istanbul and can be found with JY3ZH, 14225, 2100 & 0400Z or 14236 @ 2300Z at times:-- 3X4EX, 1.828 Mhz, 0600-0800Z--- C21DX, 3.791Mhz, 1400Z--- SMØDQE/C9 via SM4CLR---3C1BS via K4PHE---XZ2HN, 14220, 1300Z, Sat/Sun ---There is a resident ham living on the Andaman Island who has been reported to have been on the air and also reported

to have done so without proper license. This will in no way stop Gopal from preparing to go this fall. This time the group will be ready to move when the time comes and not be short on time as happened with the Laccadive operation--- 5R8AL, 21307, 1200Z Sundays. F6HUI said he is on the air one out of three weeks due to travel in the country.--- DJ4IJ/XZ, 21307, 1100Z, via DJ4IO---7S7 is a special Swedish call--- S92LB, 14185, 2130Z, Wed--- A4XKD, 14194, 2200Z, Thur---ZC4MR, 14227, 2300Z--- A4XZF & A4XJZ, 14224, 2150Z, Sat--- No CEØAA QSL yet? Write CE3ESS, (register with log info only, no \$

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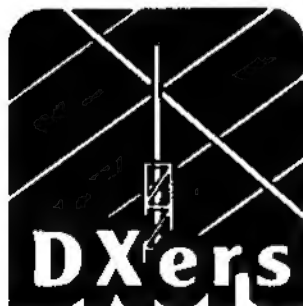
VEC MAINTENANCE OF AMATEUR QUESTIONS POOLS PROPOSED: PR Docket 85-196

The Commission has proposed that VECs assume maintenance of Amateur operator examination questions pools, a function currently performed by the FCC. The FCC now maintains question pools for each of the four written examination elements. Under the proposal, VECs would maintain these question pools instead. They said the VECs are more than capable of performing this task. Other action includes accelerating entry of volunteer examiners into the examination design process and clarifying rules regarding exam grading.....

MODE "L" AMATEUR SATELLITE OPERATION AUTHORIZED: PR Docket 85-23

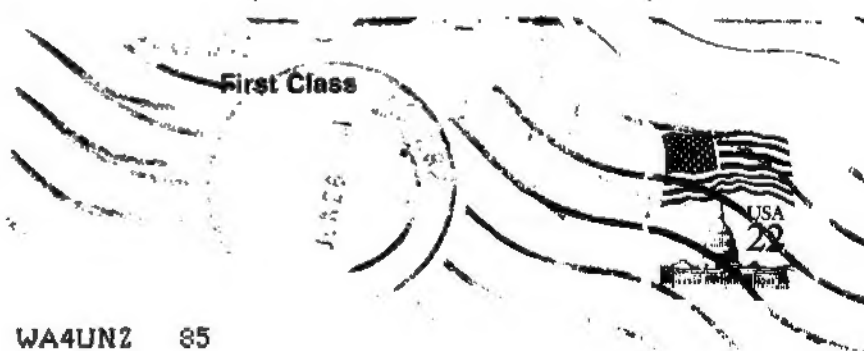
The Commission has authorized temporary Amateur satellite operation by FCC licensed Amateur Extra Class operators in the 1269.05-1269.85 Mhz frequency band pending final action on that band in this proceeding. Mode "L" will operate in conjunction with the Oscar 10 satellite. Mode "L" uses a 1269.05-1269.85 Mhz uplink and a 436.95-436.15 downlink. At times mode "L" is activated on Oscar 10 by AMSAT-DL operators in the Fed Rep Germany. This motion was filed by the ARRL and is effective immediately. Further info from 202-632-4964

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